

Troy, Ohio...Where Civic Pride is City Wide

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Summer 2007

Greetings,

Welcome to the Troy City View. This newsletter reflects our city's ongoing efforts to communicate with our citizens in Troy and to inform you of the various aspects and ongoing events of our City. I hope you find this as a very useful tool in your planning.

Sincerely, Michael L. Beamish, Mayor



Sculptures Take Flight...on the Square

Flying into Downtown Troy for the summer of 2007 are 26 artistically painted WACO YMF-5 bi-wing planes decorated by local and regional artists from Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky. Each bi-plane portrays a theme chosen by the artist, including such themes as aviation, local history, patriotic, Victorian, vintage, and nature.

Each fiberglass plane measures 5' by 5' and was molded and poured by JMS Composites of Springfield, Ohio. After each plane was finished, it was clear coated by either D&D Classic Automobile Restoration or Restorations Rods and Customs. The planes were then mounted on bases designed and donated by Ernst Concrete.

Following the 'Sculptures Take Flight' theme, students from Troy Junior

High and sixth graders from St. Patrick and Miami Montessori decorated small models of vintage planes, which are on display in the windows and inside the various businesses throughout Downtown

The sculptures will be on the streets of Downtown Troy from May 21, 2007 through September 9, 2007. For more





Troy Classic on the Square Returns



A criterium bike race will take place in the downtown area on July 21, 2007. A criterium is the most popular form of bike racing in the United States. The race course is a closed circuit track around downtown streets. This makes the course convenient for spectators. Racers will complete laps traveling at speeds exceeding 30 miles per hour. Come out and cheer for the racers!!!

For more information, contact the Troy Main Street office at (937) 339-5455.

American Elm Trees Being Planted Once Again

At one time, American Elm trees were prominent in the United States and the City of Troy. Many of the cemetery streets were lined with elm trees before the Dutch elm disease virtually wiped out all of the elm trees in America. There has been a recent movement to "Re-Elm America", and the City of Troy has started

This spring, the Cemetery Department purchased and planted seven of the new American Liberty Elm trees in Riverside Cemetery. Six of the new elms are 10 to 12 feet tall and are six years old. One is 20 to 24 feet tall and is eight years old. Five are planted in Section 8C, one is in Section 13, and one is by the maintenance building.

The trees were shipped to the cemetery from New

Hampshire and arrived in excellent condition. If the trees do well during this growing season, the City plans to order more for next year. The Cemetery Department is doing its part to "Re-Elm" Troy.

Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan Approved

The City of Troy's Park Board recently approved the new Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan. This document describes how the City plans on managing an infestation of Emerald Ash Borer if or when it becomes a threat in the City of Troy. Copies of the plan can be obtained in the Service & Safety Director's Office in City Hall. The plan is available online at www.troyohio.gov. If you have any questions, contact the Park Department at (937) 335-4612.

TROY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

The Troy Beautification Committee is on the prowl! The Committee is in the process of determining this year's Green Thumb and Merit Award winners. Criteria for Green Thumb Award: yards with color, general care and overall maintenance. Merit Awards are given for changes and/or improvements made to a property and/or building. Nominations for any of these awards should be made by contacting Wanda Tremblay at dtremblay@woh.rr.com or Deb Kappers at akappers@woh.rr.com.

NEWSLETTER ADDITIONS Starting with this newsletter, the motto "Troy, Ohio...Where Civic Pride is City Wide" and the motto "BE KIND" will be incorporated in to the design of the front page. Both mottos have been symbolic of Troy for many years, and it's time they get their place on the front page acknowledging each for its importance to the citizens of Troy.

CITY CALENDAR

JUNE, 2007				
1,2,3 Strawberry Festival Bed Races, Parade, and Levee				
	Activities			
4	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
5	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.		
13	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
18	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
21	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 p.m.		
27	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
JULY, 2007				
2	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
3	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.		
4	Fourth of July Holiday, City Offices Closed			
	(Refuse Collection Delayed One Day All Wee	ek)		
11	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
16	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
19	Joint Recreation & Park Board Meeting			
	at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.		
25	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
AUGUST, 2007				
6	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
7	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.		
8	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
16	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.		
20	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
22	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
SEPTEMBER, 2007				
3	Labor Day Holiday, City Offices Closed			
	(Refuse Collection Delayed One Day All W	eek)		
4	Board of Park Commissioners Meeting	11 a.m.		
4	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
12	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		
17	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.		
20	Recreation Board Meeting at Hobart Arena	9 a.m.		
26	Planning Commission Meeting	3:30 p.m.		

NOTE: All meetings are held at Troy City Hall, 100 South Market Street, unless otherwise designated.

2007 CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES

All Council meetings are held at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 South Market Street. The agenda for each meeting is posted on the City's website, www.troyohio.gov, as well as at City Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings with their input. The following schedule is provided as a handy reminder of the City Council meetings planned for this summer.

Monday, June 4
Monday, July 2
Monday, August 6
Tuesday, September 4

Monday, June 18 Monday, July 16 Monday, August 20 Monday, September 17

Your Tax Dollars at Work

RIDGE AND PETERS - Construction should be complete in June.

SIDEWALK PROGRAM PHASE 5 - This phase is primarily the Heritage Hills and Meadowlawn subdivisions. Residents affected by this phase have until July 3 to complete the work indicated or obtain a permit for that work to be done. Permits can be obtained from the Office of the City Engineer and questions can be referred to (937) 339-2641.

PAVING - The City will pave approximately 17 streets during the summer. These may include: Westhaven, Waterford, Gettysburg, Rudy, McGovern, Heritage, Saratoga, and Switzer Drives, Devon Circle, Kent and Locust Lanes, Mayfield Court, Virginia Avenue, and Franklin, Washington, Miami, and Water Streets. The final list will be determined once the public bids are obtained. Paving is expected later this summer, with no definite date available at this time.

CATCH BASIN & MANHOLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The physical condition of several catch basins is being reviewed and prioritized for possible replacement in 2007. Sanitary manhole improvement needs are being reviewed and prioritized for possible work this summer. Please be aware of the crews who are doing these repairs/replacements.

OTHER IMPROVEMENTS - Several other paving and roadway improvements are planned for this summer including: the basketball court at Lincoln Center, parts of the roadway in Community Park, the parking lot at the corner of Mulberry and Main streets, and the front of the Water Treatment Plant on Staunton Road.

Troy Aquatic Park Passes Still Available for Purchase!

Season passes can be purchased at the Troy Aquatic Park during normal operational hours. Please call (937) 335-5171 or go online at www.troyohio.gov for more information.

Daily Pass	General
2 years old and younger	FREE
Ages 3 to 18	\$ 4.00
Ages 19 and older	\$ 4.50
Regular Season Pass	
Family of 5	\$190.00
Additional members	\$ 10.00
Adult (ages 19 to 59)	\$100.00
Youth (ages 18 and younger)	\$ 76.00
Senior (age 60 & older)	\$ 76.00
Grandparents Pass	\$ 40.00/person*

*A Grandparents Pass may only be purchased in conjunction with a Family Pass and must be purchased at the same time with a limit of 2 Grandparents Passes per a Family Pass.

The Aquatic Park will be closed at 5:00 p.m. on June 20. Due to swim team home meets, the Aquatic Park will open at approximately 1:30 p.m. on June 16, June 23, and July 14.

PRIVATE POOL PARTY RENTALS FILLING QUICKLY!

If you are interested in renting the Troy Aquatic Park for a private party, please contact the Troy Recreation Department at (937) 339-5145. The Aquatic Park is available on Saturday and Sunday evenings. Hurry, limited dates are still available!

Special Summer Events in Troy

- The **Strawberry Festival** will be held June 1, 2, and 3. For more information, visit <u>www.troyohio.gov</u> or <u>www.troyohiochamber.com</u>.
- ❖ The **Ohio Police and Fire Games** will be held throughout Troy from June 10 to 15. Good luck to all of the local athletes!
- * The **Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure** (GOBA) returns to Troy on June 20 and 21. Please help welcome these visitors to the City of Troy.
- The Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra Concert will be at Prouty Plaza on July 3, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.
- ❖ On Tuesday, July 4, starting at 9:25 a.m., there will be a **4th of July parade**, sponsored by Veterans organizations, routed through the Square. Starting at approximately 10 p.m., the annual Troy **4th of July Fireworks** will begin. The City thanks the Troy Foundation and Concord Township Trustees for partnering with the City to fund the fireworks.
- ❖ Ohio Chautauqua, presented by the Ohio Humanities Council in cooperation with the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, will be held July 18 to 22, on the levee. This 5-day educational, outdoor entertainment will focus on WWII featuring actors representing "Rosie the Riveter", a Tuskegee Airman, a Photojournalist, a Humanitarian/Author, and President Franklin Roosevelt. History comes alive on the levee this summer!
- Troy will be joining the nation for the **2007 National Night Out Against Crime** to be held Tuesday, August 7. Activities will be held at Troy Community Park beginning at 6 p.m. Food and entertainment will be available. All citizens are invited to participate in this event to inform and help protect our community.
- The **Festival of Nations** will be held on Saturday, August 18 from 4 to 9 p.m. at the Square. There will be exhibits, food, and entertainment from around the world. This year the Philippines will be featured. Come and sample the food and have some fun!
- The **Mayors' Concert** featuring Mayor Beamish and the Dayton Philharmonic Concert Band will play at Prouty Plaza on Sunday, August 19 at 7:00 p.m.
- * Miami County Barn Quilt Tours are available throughout the summer. This event features true folk art renditions of traditional quilt squares, hand painted on numerous barns throughout Miami County. To plan your Barn Quilt tour visit http://www.visitmiamicounty.org/barnquilts.html.
- Miami County Bicentennial Celebration events will be held throughout the summer. For more information or to obtain a schedule of events, call the Miami County Visitors & Convention Bureau at (937) 339-1044.

No Bikes on the Sidewalks of the Central Business District

As the weather gets warmer, children and adults will be outside riding their bikes. As a friendly reminder, the sidewalks in the Central Business District are for pedestrian traffic only and are not intended for the riding of bicycles, skateboards, tricycles, scooters, or any toy vehicles. Wheelchairs or other equipment to transport the handicapped are permissible. The Ordinance prohibiting the riding of bicycles in the Central Business District was established in the interest of safety for the pedestrians and for cyclists. To bring more awareness to the fact that bicycles and other toy vehicles are not to be ridden on the sidewalks, signs have been posted and police officers are warning violators. When a warning is not effective, officers are issuing tickets to violators.

Enforcement of this Ordinance does not mean that riding a bicycle in heavy traffic is safe. It is suggested that people walk their bicycles in the Central Business District or find an alternate street route around the downtown area.

HAPPENINGS AT HOBART ARENA



Take a Break from the Summer Heat and Learn How to Ice Skate!

TROY SKATING CLUB CLASSES

Troy Skating Club classes begin the week of June 11th. Fun for ages 3 to 99! Private lessons are also available. Available classes are as follows:

- Hockey Skills & Power (Mondays 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.)
- Beginner Snow Plow Sam (Thursdays 5:45 to 6:15 p.m.) ages 3 to 6
- Basic Skills (Thursdays 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.) ages 7 to 17
- Adult Basic Skills (Mondays 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.) ages 18 and up
 For more information and to get registered, contact the Troy Skating
 Club at (937) 339-8521 or visit the website at www.troyskatingclub.org.

2007 SUMMER PUBLIC SKATING SESSIONS

The Hobart Arena will be having Public Skating sessions this summer on Fridays from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. Admission is \$4.50 for adults and \$3.75 for children 14 and under. Skate rental is available for \$2.25. The summer skating sessions will be held on the following dates:

June 15, 22, and 29 July 20 and 27 August 3

FREE SUMMER INSTRUCTIONAL HOCKEY PROGRAM

The instructional hockey program is for children ages 5 to 10 years old who are interested in learning about the sport of hockey. The program will focus on skating, stick handling, passing, and shooting. Sessions will be held on Friday, July 20 and 27 and August 3 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Register at Hobart Arena weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

Recreation Program Registrations Are Still Being Accepted

The City of Troy Recreation Department is still accepting registrations for some of its 2007 summer programs. You may register at Hobart Arena, 255 Adams Street weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Registration forms can also be obtained online at www.troyohio.gov/rec/rec.html. Contact the Recreation Department at (937) 339-5145 for further information.

Improvements to Miami Shores Golf Course

Several improvements have been made at the Miami Shores Golf Course this year. Some of these changes might even help improve your game! 15 golf carts have been added to the fleet, for a total of 50 carts, allowing the course to promote itself for corporate outings and fund raising events. Also, during the warm weather when everyone likes to ride, the course will not run out of carts.

Also new this year is a ProCore 648 aerator. This piece of equipment will quicken the healing process when staff aerate and top dress the greens in the spring and the fall. In the past, this healing process generally took three to four weeks. The process is now reduced to approximately two weeks. Golfers will definitely notice the difference.

Come and enjoy 18 holes of exciting golf today at the Miami Shores Golf Course! To schedule a tee time, call (937) 335-4457.

CITY CLIPS

TROY EMPLOYEE UPDATES

The Fire Department welcomes **Richard Morrett** and **Dale Thompson** as Fire Fighters. The Park Department welcomes **Larry Shepard** as a Laborer. The Police Department welcomes **Duane Puckett** as the Parking Control Officer.

Kenneth Crabtree was promoted to a Light Equipment Operator in the Park Department. Bill Sheafer was promoted to Platoon Commander in the Fire Department. Mary Jo Shaffer transferred to the Public Works Department as a Clerk.

Eugene Owen retired on May 5 as a Fire Fighter with the Fire Department after 24 years of service. **Larry Lewis** retired on May 31 as the Foreman of the Refuse Collection Division after 15 years of service. Thank you, Eugene and Larry for your many years of dedication and service to the citizens of Troy. Best wishes in your future endeavors.

PAINT VOUCHER AND GARAGE DEMOLITION PROGRAM

The Planning Department would like to remind citizens of Troy about the Paint Voucher Program and the Garage Demolition Program. The Paint Voucher Program assists residents by providing up to \$250 for the purchase of paint for the exterior of their home. The Garage Demolition Program provides funds for those residents who wish to demolish a "condemnable" garage structure. Certain guidelines apply to both programs. Please contact the Planning Department at (937) 339-9481 for more information or stop by their office in City Hall for an application.

REMINDER FOR ALL PET OWNERS

The following is a friendly reminder about rules that must be followed by pet owners. These rules do not apply to guide dogs.

- All dogs must be registered and licensed annually through Miami County and have proper tags.
- All owners must remove his/her dog's excrement from all public spaces and the property of others.
- No dogs or cats are allowed to run at large on any property except the owner's property. Owners must have complete control of their cat or dog.
- No animals are allowed at the Troy Strawberry Festival or the July 4th Celebration events.
- No more than a combination of three cats or dogs can reside at any property.

DIRECTORY OF CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor Michael L. Beamish President of Council William F. Lohrer			
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2nd Ward			
3rd WardTed S. Mercer			
4th Ward Jarrod W. Harrah			
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Alan R. Clark			
Shirley M. Saxton			
Director of Law			
Auditor			
Treasurer			
Director of Public Service & Safety			
Clerk of Council and Administrative Assistant			
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Planning Director Mark S. Cundiff			
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Park Superintendent Timothy J. Mercer			
Cemetery Superintendent Lewis J. Deeter			
Director of Golf			
Information on how to contact City elected			

Information on how to contact City elected and appointed officials is available on the City of Troy website: www.troyohio.gov.

- TROY CITY PROGRAMMING - CHANNEL 9

Watch for the Mayor's Report and the City Council Update programs on Troy-Public Broadcasting, Channel 9.

Mayor's Report — Monday - 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday - 11:00 a.m.; Thursday - 9:00 p.m.; Sunday - 7:30 p.m.

City Council Update — Monday - 7:00 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday - 11:30 a.m.; Thursday - 9:30 p.m.; Sunday - 8:00 p.m.



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Attention Web Surfers: Have you visited the official website of the City of Troy?

If not, surf over to www.troyohio.gov and check us out. The site is full of useful information about the City as an organization, as well as the community.

The website changes regularly, so visit often to keep abreast of meeting dates, job openings and other useful information.

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